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## Child Mental Health Wraparound service delivery related to the COVID-19 pandemic

The Division of Mental Health and Addiction has been reviewing policies, Indiana administrative code and federal requirements for Child Mental Health Wraparound service delivery. Our goal is maximum flexibility. While we wait for authority to waive federal and IAC requirements, the following policy requirements have been updated pending further notice:

- 1. For youth who are home due to school closures, including e-learning, providers may provide services during normal school hours as agreed to by the provider and caregiver
- 2. Child and Family Team Meetings may be conducted via video conferencing
- 3. Signatures for plans of care, pick lists, WFI EZ consent, rights and attestation form, releases of information, initial eligibility reviews and annual eligibility reviews are not required at this time. Verbal consent will substitute for signatures. Consent must be verified by a second person from the wraparound facilitation agency. On the form's signature line, please date and indicate that verbal consent was given.

DMHA is seeking authorization to amend the state and federal requirements that services be provided face-to-face. **If authorized**, providers may deliver services via phone or video conferencing. In addition to existing documentation requirements, providers should include additional substantiating documentation, such as a screen shot. Existing service limits apply.

More information regarding COVID-19 may be found on the Indiana State Department of Health webpage, <u>available here.</u>

Questions may be submitted to <a href="mailto:DMHAYouthServices@fssa.in.gov">DMHAYouthServices@fssa.in.gov</a>.

